

PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	
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Takumi HATSUDA et al.	:	Group Art Unit: 1713
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Serial No.: <i>Divisional of 09/945,812</i>	:	Examiner: D. Wilson
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Filed: <i>Herewith</i>	:	
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For: WATER-ABSORBENT RESIN AND	:	
PRODUCTION PROCESS THEREFOR	:	

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.